contain excessive calcium or magnesium is partially responsible for kidney stone. However, saline water is not the sole reason for Kidney Stones. No reports have been received about people suffering from Kidney Stones due to drinking of saline water either in Gujarat or Karnataka.

(b) Yes Sir, in some habitations of coastal areas in Gujarat and Karnataka.

(c) The State Government have planned regional water supply schemes based on surface water sources such as rivers, canals and reservoirs etc. for providing safe drinking water under Sub-Mission Programmes. Sustainability measures like artificial recharge can also mitigate the problem.

(d) Funds allocated and released to the State of Karnataka during the last three years under Rural Water Supply Programme are as follows.—

(Rs. in Crore)

Sl No.	Years	Sanctioned and Released
1	2000-2001	84 196
2.	2001-2002	138.617
3	2002-2003	143.554

Meeting targets of PMGSY in Himachal Pradesh

†1386. SHRI ANIL SHARMA Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state.

(a) the amount sanctioned for Himachal Pradesh under the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana during the year 2002-2003 by Government;

(b) the name of these roads alongwith the amount sanctioned for each of these roads;

(c) whether it is a fact that roads sanctioned during the year 2001-02 has not been completed so far while it was scheduled to be completed by June 2003;

(d) the number of roads which have not been completed so far as per schedule; and

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi

(e) whether Government propose to take action against contractors for working at slow pace?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ANNASAHEB M K PATIL) (a) and (b) In the year 2001-2002, project proposals to the tune of Rs. 132 36 crore had been cleared for Himachal Pradesh under the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY). No roads were cleared during 2002-2003 and work on ongoing roads cleared during 2001-2002 were being executed during 2002-2003

(c) As per the information received from the State Government, out of 245 roads cleared during the year 2001-2002 and scheduled to be completed by June, 2003, only 71 roads have been completed so far.

(d) The State Government has reported that most of the 174 roads which have not been completed as per the schedule, are likely to be completed by November, 2003

(e) State Government is taking appropriate action in accordance with provisions in the contract agreement for delays against contractors.

Development of rural areas of U.P., Bihar and Jharkhand

387. MAULANA OBAIDULLAH KHAN AZMI: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of schemes for rural development;

(b) whether it is a fact that development of rural areas of U.P, Bihar and Jharkhand has not taken place to the desired extent; and

(c) if so, what special measures are proposed for speedy development of rural areas of the above States?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ANNASAHEB M.K. PATIL) (a) The Ministry of Rural Development implements the following Schemes in the Rural areas of the country:

(a) Sampoorna Gramin Rozgar Yojana (SGRY)